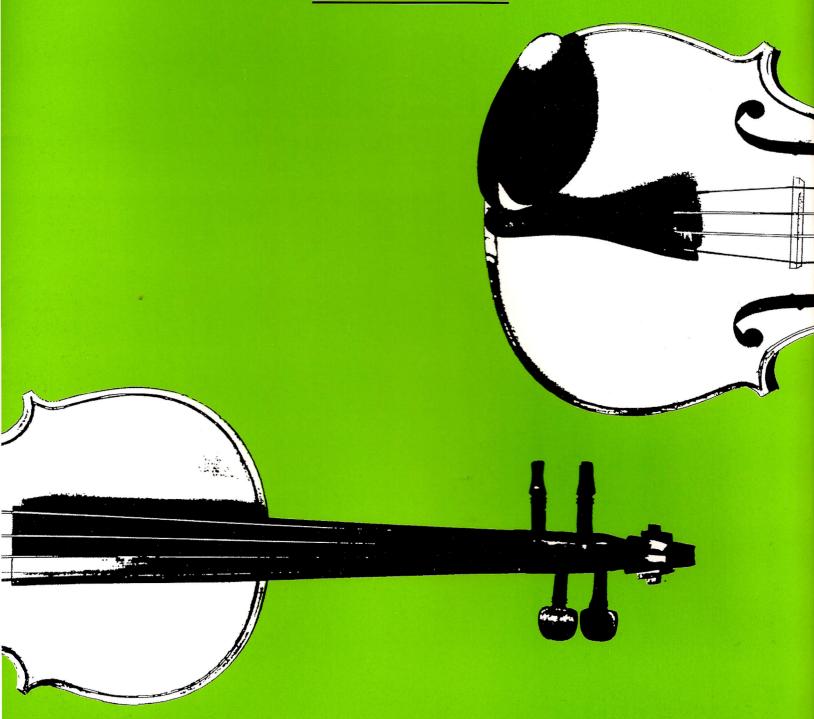
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DICTIONARY OF TERMS AND SIGNS USED IN MUSIC

For volume of tone:

pp - Fianissimo, very soft.

p -Piano, softly.

mp -Mezzo-piano, rather softly.

mf -Mezzo-forte, rather loudly.

f -Forte, loudly.

ff -Fortissimo, very loud.

of —Sforzando, strong accent. (> A)

cresc. - Crescendo, gradually louder.

dim. —Diminuendo, gradually softer. (

For tempo (speed):

Largo-Very slow.

Adagio-Slow.

Andante-Rather slow.

Andantino-A little slower than Andante.

Moderato-Moderately fast.

Allegretto-Lively, but not too fast.

Allegro-Fast.

Vivace-Faster than Allegro.

Presto-Very fast.

For increasing tempo:

Accelerando (Accel.)—Gradually faster.

Stringendo (String)-Suddenly faster.

Più mosso—A steady, faster speed.

For decreasing tempo:

Rallentando (Rall.)—Gradually slower.

Ritardando (Rit.)—Gradually slower.

Meno mosso-A steady, alower speed.

For style:

Animato-With spirit, with animation.

Agitato-Agitated.

Allargando-Broader.

Cantabile—In a singing style.

Dolce—Sweetly, softly.

Espressivo-With expression.

Legato-Smoothly, connected.

Maestoso-Majestically.

Con Spirito-With spirit.

Staccato—Detached, separated. (1)

Tenuto—Sustained. (-)

A Tempo-In the original time.

Other signs:

D. C. Da Capo—From the beginning.

Fine (fee-nay)—Ending.

D. S. Dal Segno—Go back to the sign. (%)

Pause (fermata) - Prolongs the time of a note or rest. (A)

TO THE STUDENT

Having completed the study of Book I, you should be thoroughly familiar with the fundamentals of violin playing, such as a good position, correct use of the fingers when placing the left hand, and the elementary principles of bow control.

Book II includes a continuation of the elementary material, presenting slightly more advanced exercises and pieces. To be better able to play the familiar melodies and pieces, it is recommended that you prepare the purely technical exercises at the beginning of each lesson where a new key and finger-placing is introduced.

Study carefully the diagrams introducing additional keys and fingerings when positioning your fingers for the new notes. Remember that you must first read the note and then place the finger, so verify the note you are reading and the exact finger-position for that note. The surest way to play well derives from the ability to read well.

Foster the habit of quick thinking by assimilating the foll, wing points at first glance:

- (1) Name of Note (Natural, Sharp or Flat).
- (2) How to Play (Finger-Position and String).
- (3) How Long to Hold (Time-Value).

Training your perceptive powers to respond in this manner will enhance your command of violin technique and, correspondingly, enlarge your musical horizon.

Many of my pupils have formed groups which meet to play the duets, trios and quartets with piano, thus forming a little orchestra. Why don't you try it?—you'll have lots of fun!

TO THE TEACHER

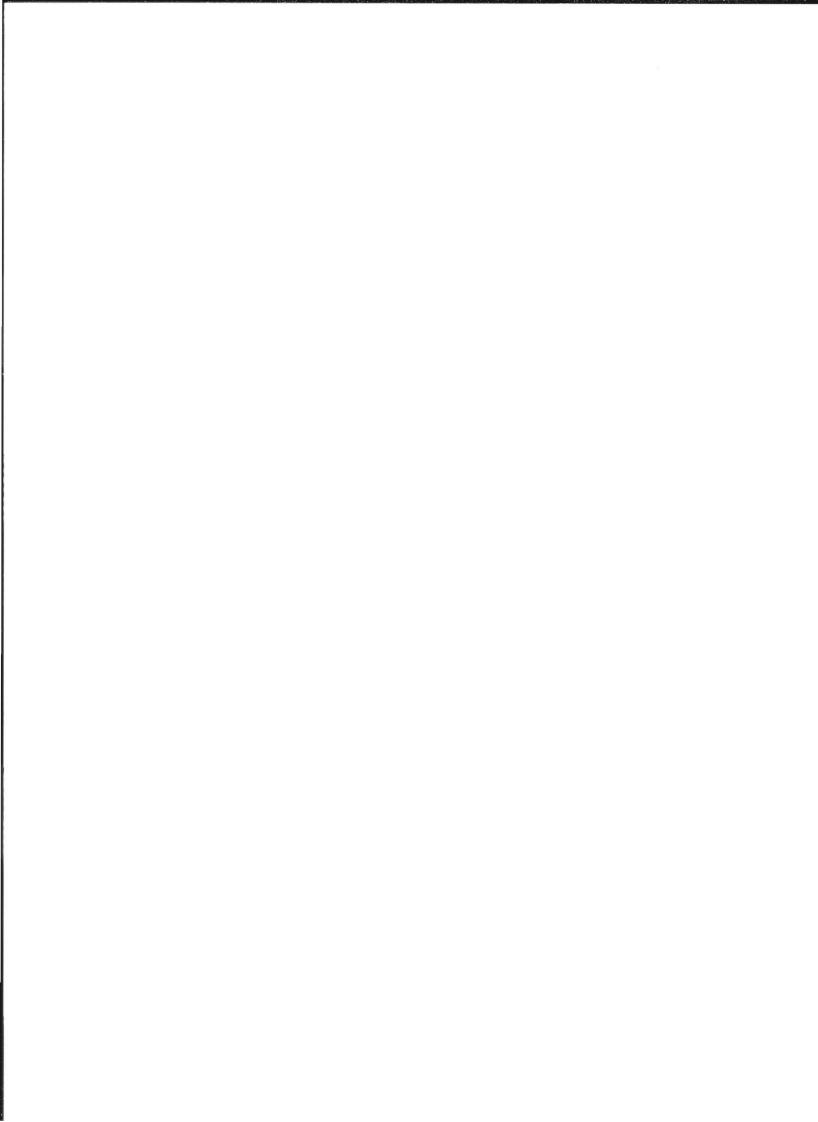
In compiling Book II, I have tried to carry out in slightly more advanced material the basic principles of violin playing as laid down in Book I.

The material has been selected and the grading edited to provide sequential progress as each step is mastered, Adequate preparation for the development of the student is allowed for, although the amount of purely technical work has been kept to a minimum. This book is very largely made up of folksongs and other familiar melodies of good musical quality arranged in duet, trio and quartet form, from which the pupil should achieve a sound bowing style and firm grasp of finger—(intonation) technique. An awareness of musical form and harmonic structure stems naturally from the study of these pieces.

The use of the piano accompaniment has proved of value both in the classroom and in the home. That important advantages result from its use is certain. The interest and ambition of the pupil is stimulated by the addition of the harmonic structure, which also serves as a guide to the proper placing of the fingers through hearing the note he is producing in the harmony. The use of the piano part is recommended from the earliest stages so as to stimulate the musical ear to a keen perception of modulations and harmonies, for which the violin, in that particular regard, is comparatively imperfect.

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LESSON 1

Review of Keys Studied in Book 1



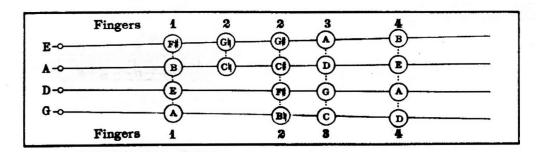
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Studies for the use of the second finger in different positions Two new notes, C natural on the A string and G natural on the E string

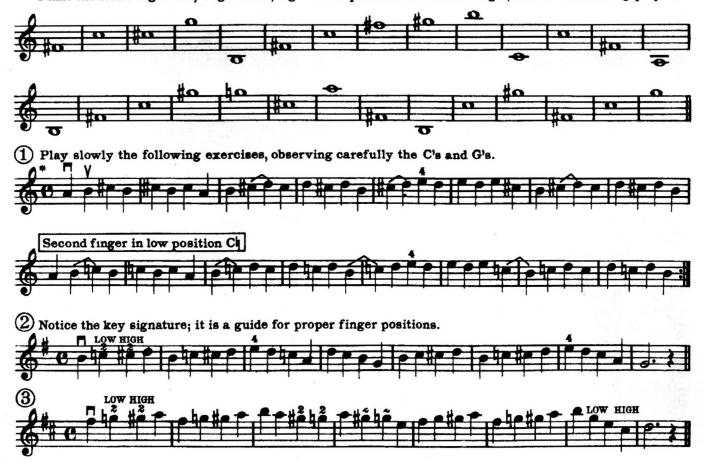
1 Wo new notes, o natural on the A string and G natural on the E string

The importance of being able to read notes as well as you can read the letters of the alphabet cannot be overestimated. This is the foundation on which your future progress depends. You must also know the exact position of your fingers on the fingerboard so as to be able to play any given note; for example, to play C\$ on the A string, the second finger is placed a whole tone from the first (high position) but to play C natural, the second finger is placed close to the first (low position) Therefore, the necessity of knowing whether the note is natural, sharp or flat is perfectly obvious.

Have a picture of the fingerboard in your mind in order to see where your fingers are placed for the different notes. Study the following diagram showing position of notes already studied and the two new notes to be taken in this lesson. Name the whole tones and semitones.



Name the following notes, finger used, high or low position for second finger, and on what string played.



^{*}Exercise No. 1 may also be played on the E string.

Familiar Melodies Using The Second Finger in the Low Position



LESSON 4
G Major Scale and Arpeggio in Two Octaves



Home work. Mark with this sign Athe half steps in both parts of exercise No. 4. Write 4 times the G Major scale in 2 octaves marking the half steps and placing the sharp. Manuscript sheet page 7.

Continuation of the key of G Exercises in crossing from C natural to F*



Home work: Mark half steps on this page the same as before.

Flow Gently, Sweet Afton (Quartet)

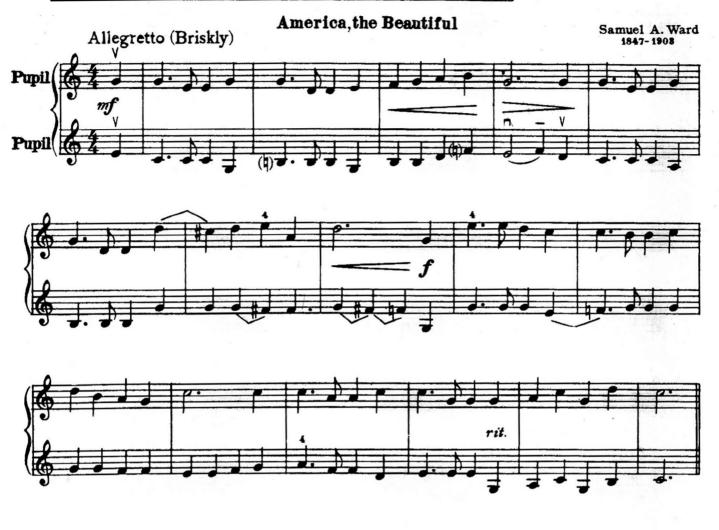


Two new notes, F natural on the D string and B flat on the G string. Study the following diagram so as to visualize the exact position of these two notes upon the fingerboard.

Practise both parts on the double staff in this and the following lessons.



Learn to take particular notice of the key signature before playing.



Go Down, Moses



Home work: Mark the half steps on this page.

LESSON 9 Continuation of the key of C Major



Home work: Mark the half steps on this page as before.

Onward, Christian Soldiers



Note carefully the key signatures and what they mean.

D. C.— Da Capo— to beginning.

Fine—Find.



LESSON 12 Christmas Carols



Fingers 1

In this and lesson 16, two new notes are taken up. Fi on the E string and Bb on the A string, to be played with the 1st finger placed close to the nut. Study diagram to see position of notes on the finger-board. Great care must be taken in playing these notes. Do not allow the knuckle at the base of the first finger to slide under the neck. Play with the tips of the fingers.



Home work: Mark the half steps in this lesson and fill in blanks in above diagram.



Home work: Mark half steps in this lesson. *D. S. Dal Segno- Back to the sign. (%)

The Little Sandman



LESSON 16 Key of F Major

Key of F Major, one flat (b). The flat (b) placed on the third line of the staff, just after the clef sign, affects every B throughout the piece. Refer to diagram in Lesson 13 to see the exact position of this note on the fingerboard.



Home work: Mark half steps. Write F Major scale 4 times.

*Andantino_ Slower than Andante.

LESSON 17 Continuation of the key of F Major

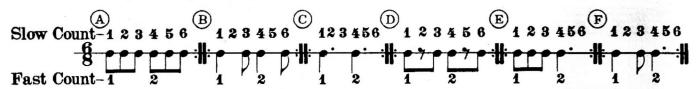


LESSON 18 Six-eight time

Count six beats to each bar in slow tempo a quaver () being the unit of a beat.

Count two beats to each bar in fast tempo a dotted crotchet () being the unit of beat.

Preparatory exercise. Repeat each of the following bars until the rhythm of the different groupings is memorized. Play on the open strings. Count aloud



Notice key signature and finger accordingly.

Play exercises slowly at first, gradually increasing the speed.



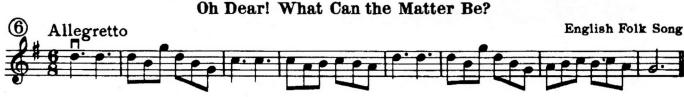
Play the D Major scale different ways using the various rhythm patterns indicated above.

Row, Row, Row Your Boat



The above tune may be used as a round by dividing the class into two or four groups.





Home work: Write 4 lines of notes, using different groupings in § time dividing into bars.

LESSON 19 Detached notes of different values in one bow

Bowing drill: Practise this line carefully, gradually increasing the speed.

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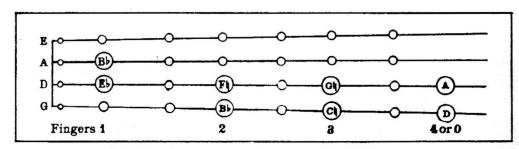
LESSON 20 Continuation of $\frac{6}{8}$ time

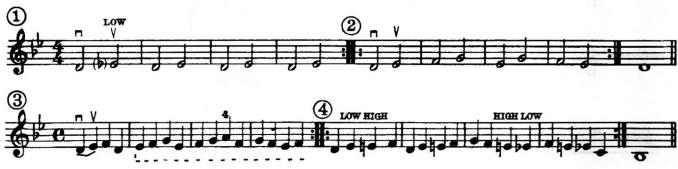


^{*}Place finger on both strings at once.

Key of Bb Major

Key of Bb. Bb and Eb. See diagram for position of Eb on the D string. Review position of Bb on the G string in Lesson 7.





Scale of Bb



Home work: Write the Bb Major scale 4 times, marking flats and half steps; also fill in blanks in above diagram.

Vesper Hymn Trio



Continuation of the key of B_b Major Scale Study



^{*}rit., abbreviation for ritenuto --- gradually slackening in speed.

^{**}a tempo, -- as before.

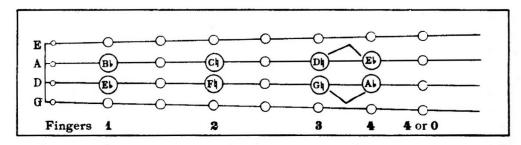
Scale of Bb Major, upper octave

Review lower octave of this scale in lesson 21.



Home work: Write the Bb Major scale in two octaves 4 times, marking flats and the half steps.

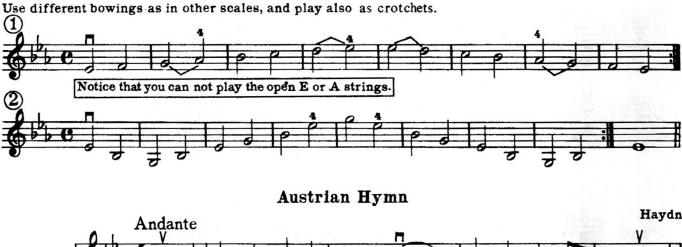
LESSON 25 Key of Eb Major



Scale of Eb Major-name the flats

Notice that the finger placing is the same as for the upper octave of the Bb major scale.

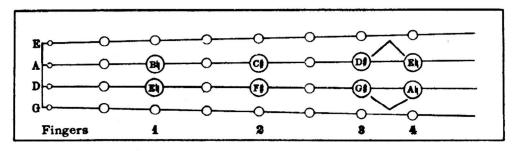






Home work: Write the Eb Major scale 4 times, marking as before.

LESSON 26 Key of E Major



Scale of E Major-name the sharps

Same finger placing as for the Eb scale, except that each finger is one semitone higher.





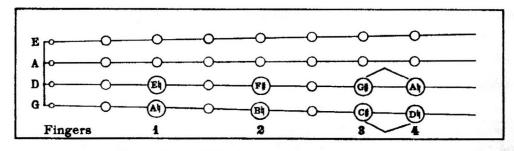
German Folk Song





Home work: Write the E Major scale 4 times, marking as before.

LESSON 27 Key of A Major

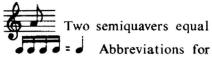


Scale of A Major- name the sharps



Semiquavers

A semiquaver is equal to half the value of a quaver one quaver and four semiquavers equal one crotchet semiquavers



Comparative table showing number of semiquavers to other notes studied thus far.





Dotted Quavers and Semiquavers Legato (Connected)

This is one of the more difficult rhythms to learn. The dotted quaver is equal to three semiquavers. Always feel a division of four on each beat when playing this rhythm, three on the dotted quaver and one on the semiquaver.



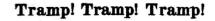
Dotted Quavers and Semiquavers Staccato (Detached)

Dotted quavers and semiquavers played staccato (detached) are separated by a short pause, the bow however must NOT be lifted from the string.



These are generally played in one bow with a very crisp stroke of the wrist. Use upper half of bow. During the break between the two notes the bow is held pressed on the string.





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Battle Hymn of the Republic

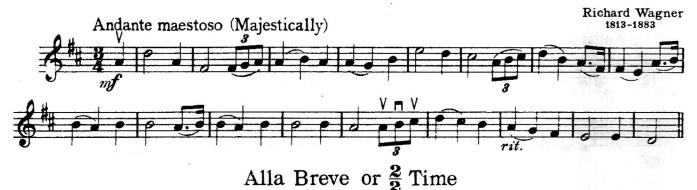


Triplets

Triplets are groups of three notes played in the time of two notes of the same value. They are indicated by a figure 3 and a slur placed over or under a group of three notes.

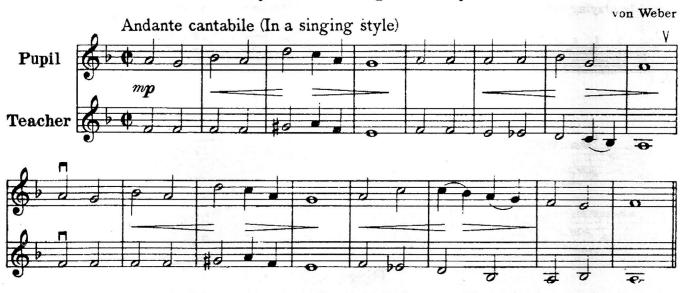
A bar of $\frac{2}{8}$ containing two triplets $\frac{2}{4}$ is the same as a bar of $\frac{6}{8}$ in march time. $\frac{6}{8}$

Pilgrims' Chorus (Tannhäuser)

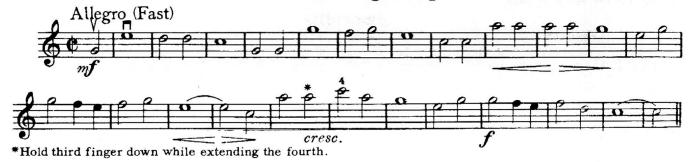


Alla Breve, or cut time \mathbf{c} is played the same as $\frac{2}{4}$ time. Each note having half the value as in $\frac{4}{4}$ time, a minim being the unit of a beat.

Softly Now The Light of Day



German College Song



LESSON 32 Staccato Bowing

Staccato, meaning detached, separated, is a style of bowing used in violin playing to denote a short crisp note. Notes to be played staccato are marked with a dot, placed over or under them. Draw the bow with a short, quick stroke, and then suddenly stopping it for a short rest, during which the bow is pressed firmly on the string. With this stroke the vibration of the string is stopped which gives the short staccato effect.

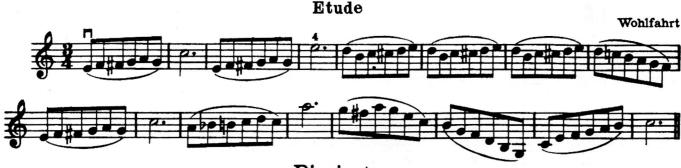




Chromatics

The word "chromatic" means moving by semitones. Chromatic (literally, coloured) is well chosen, for by the use of sharps and flats, tone colour or shading is added to the natural sounds of the notes. A chromatic interval is one semitone above or below the given note. A chromatic scale is a scale that ascends or descends by semitones. In playing chromatics the finger must move quickly to the new note so that no slide is heard.





Pizzicato

Pizz. means to pluck the string. The bow is held against the palm of the hand by the second, third and fourth fingers, the first being free to do the plucking. The tip of the thumb is placed against the corner of the fingerboard under the E string.





LESSON 34 From the Classics

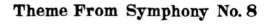
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